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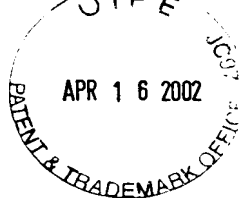
In the Application of:

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FOR: PRODUCTION OF POLYTRIMETHYLENE
ETHER GLYCOL AND COPOLYMERS
THEREOF



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace page 7, lines 6-12, with the following:

In another preferred embodiment, the process is carried out in continuous mode. Here, the temperature range is preferably as specified above with respect to the general conditions, with 150-250°C being preferred, 170-220°C more preferred, and 180 to 210°C most preferred. Preferred continuous processes are described in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/738,689 (Docket # CL1483), filed concurrently herewith (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0010374 A1, published January 24, 2002), and the provisional patent application 60/172,126, filed December 17, 1999, both of which are incorporated herein by reference.